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SUBJECT: EXPORT LICENSE FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

1. ON OCTOBER 10 DAS DOWNEY RECEIVED LETTER FROM
BULGARIAN COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR CONTAINING CONTENTS OF
TELEX FROM FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE LUKANOV
REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN EXPEDITING EXPORT LICENSE FOR
INTEGRATED CIRCUITS CONTRACTED BY IZOTIMPEX FROM AMERICAN
MICROSYSTEMS:

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DEAR MR. DOWNEY,

I TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE READINESS STATED BY YOU DURING
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YOUR RECENT VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY TO ASSIST IN THE

DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND THE UNITED STATES AND BETWEEN
BULGARIAN ENTERPRISES AND U.S. COMPANIES.

THE BULGARIAN FOREIGN ENTERPRISE "IZOTIMPEX" HAS CONCLUDED
WITH THE U.S. COMPANY "AMERICAN MICROSYSTEMS INC." SANTA
CLARA, CALIFORNIA A CONTRACT FOR 15000 INTEGRATED

CIRCUITS BOURBON SERIES. SO FAR THE COMPANY HAS NOT
DELIVERED THE MERCHANDISE REFERRING TO DIFFICULTIES
OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE NATURE ALTHOUGH THE SAME CIRCUITS
HAVE ALREADY BEEN SUPPLIED TO BULGARIA FROM THE USA
BEFORE.

I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR PERSONNEL ASSISTANCE IN
CLARIFYING AND SOLVING THE ISSUE.

LOOKING FORWARD TO A FAVORABLE SOLUTION OF THE QUESTION
AND THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR INTERVENTION, I
REMAIN RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

A. LOUKANOV

END OF QUOTE

2. BULGARIAN COMMERCIAL OFFICERS TOROMANOV AND MIHAYLOV
SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED MEETING WITH BEWT/TDAD PERSONNEL
TO DISCUSS REQUEST. AT OCTOBER 15 MEETING BULGARIANS
STATED THAT LICENSES FOR THE SAME PRODUCT HAD BEEN
GRANTED TWICE BEFORE AND THAT THEIR PRODUCTION LINE
WOULD BE SHUT DOWN IF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS DID NOT ARRIVE
SOON. BECAUSE OF THIS, THEY REQUESTED DOC GIVE THIS
CASE PRIORITY STATUS.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM
DAS DOWNEY TO ANDREY LUKANOV:

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DEAR MR. MINISTER:
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THANK YOU FOR BRINGING TO MY ATTENTION THE CONTRACT
BETWEEN IZOTIMPEX AND AMERICAN MICROSYSTEMS INC. FOR
THE EXPORT OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS. AS YOU KNOW, EXPORTS
OF THIS TYPE ARE SUBJECT TO U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL CON-
TROLS AND MUST BE CAREFULLY EXAMINED BEFORE A LICENSE
CAN BE ISSUED. WE HAVE EXPEDITED THE U.S. PORTION OF
THE EXAMINATION AND ARE NOW DISCUSSING THE CASE WITH

OTHER NATIONS THAT COOPERATE WITH US IN EXPORT MATTERS.
WE HOPE THAT APPROVAL WILL BE QUICKLY GRANTED.

PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
REMAINS COMMITTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL
RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA. I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE CAN
CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER FOR THAT PURPOSE.

RESPECTFULLY,

ARTHUR T. DOWNEY
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EAST-WEST TRADE

END OF QUOTE (BEGIN LOU)

4. FYI: LICENSE APPLICATION, WHICH WAS SUBMITTED
TWO MONTHS AGO, HAS RECEIVED U.S. GOVERNMENT APPROVAL
AND IS BEING SENT TO COCOM FOR APPROVAL ON PRIORITY
STATUS. REPLY FROM COCOM IS EXPECTED IN ABOUT ONE WEEK.
AMERICAN MICROSYSTEMS AND MR. TOROMANOV INFORMED OF
CURRENT STATUS ON OCTOBER 17. INGERSOLL

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